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FOR: HOLLOW GLASS MICROSPHERES AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING THE

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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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In response to the Office Action dated December 9, 2003, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

A discussion of the Support for the Amendments begins on page 8 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.